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# GUN AND KNIVES FOUND ON VISITORS TO COURTS

## SECURITY STAFF RETRIEVE 13,000 BANNED ITEMS IN 18 MONTHS

Nearly 13,000 banned items were found on visitors to Northampton Crown Court by security staff, including 177 knives, it has been revealed.

A Freedom of Information request showed that between November 2012 and June 2014, 47 knives with blades of more than three inches were discovered.

And 130 smaller knives were also confiscated.

Officers also found 103 tools, including screwdrivers, 265 cameras, 60 voice recorders and 577 alcoholic drinks.

The 'others' section of the list numbered 11,812 items, including scissors, nail clippers and body sprays.

The figures were released last week by Her Majesty's Court and Tribunal Service.

A spokesman said: "We take the issue of security within courts extremely seriously and have a robust security and safety system to protect all court users and the Judiciary."

"This system includes mandatory bag searches, metal detectors and surveillance cameras, as well as court security officers who have legislative powers to protect all those in the court building," he added.

"The powers of the court security officers include the ability to restrain and remove people from the building should there be a need."

"Our system is continually monitored to ensure that it is effective and proportionate and mitigates against the risks faced," he said.

At Northampton Magistrates' Court, 29 knives were discovered with a blade of

more than three inches and 66 knives with blades smaller than three-inches.

One gun was found and 1,693 tools.

Officers found 185 cameras, 43 recording devices and 968 alcoholic drinks.

In total, there were 4,650 banned items found on visitors to the court building.

Banned items were also found at magistrates' courts in Corby (365 items), Wellingborough (132) and Kettering (108).

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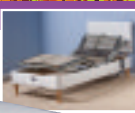
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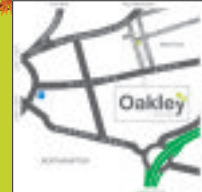
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** Rebecca Hollis, her son Callum, and Graham Forker. Mr Forker saved Callum's life when he was a baby 12 years ago

# St John's volunteer 'saved my son's life'

**A mother whose son's life was saved by a former St John Ambulance volunteer from Northampton, said she would never be able to thank him enough.**

On December 29, 2001, Rebecca Hollis's son, Callum, who had been born 10 weeks premature, stopped breathing shortly after he had been taken home to Pleydell Road, in Far Cotton.

In a state of panic, Ms Hollis ran next door to get help from her neighbour, Graham Forker, who she knew was an experienced St John Ambulance volunteer. Fortunately, Mr Forker was at home and he jumped over the fence and immediately began carrying out CPR on the tiny baby.

Despite the fact he had never carried out a heart resuscitation on a baby, Mr Forker's training ensured he got Callum's heart beating until paramedics arrived.

Mr Forker said: "When I got into the house I could see that Callum was blue. I knew with a baby that you only tilt the head back halfway and I managed to get his heart going again, even

though he stopped breathing two to three times.

"It was nine minutes until the paramedics arrived and they told me to keep going as I was doing such a good job. In total it was 17 minutes until he was taken away in the ambulance and they were the longest 17 minutes of my life."

On the way to Northampton General Hospital, Callum again stopped breathing another four times and his mum was warned to prepare herself for the worst.

However, after 10 days in intensive care in Leicester Royal Infirmary, Callum was able to return home again after being treated for bronchiolitis.

Ms Hollis said: "All the doctors involved in the case said Callum would have had no chance of surviving without Graham's help."

"How do you thank someone for saving your son's life? You can't ever thank anyone enough for that."

Ahead of Mr Forker's 70th birthday, Callum, now aged 12, has given him a pendant with the words "Thank you for giving me the most precious gift. 'My Life'. I'll never forget. Cal-



lum x".

Mr Forker, who has now retired from St John Ambulance, said he was glad he had been home when Callum needed him as he had only been back half an hour after volunteering at a Saints' rugby game.

He said: "I'm just pleased I was qualified enough to bring Callum back to life. I would recommend being a St John Ambulance volunteer to anyone."

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# Panto stars to switch

The star of Royal & Derngate's pantomime, Joe Pasquale, will switch on the Christmas lights in Northampton town centre tonight (Thursday).

The annual switch-on will take place in the Market Square.

Heart FM duo Stuart and Natalie will be hosting the big Christmas countdown with festive entertainment starting at 5.30pm.

There will be bands playing, choirs singing Christmas carols, and plenty of colourful entertainment to add a touch

of magical sparkle and festive cheer.

Lights will be switched on at 6pm by celebrity guest Joe Pasquale, who will play the swashbuckling Captain Smee in Royal & Derngate's *Peter Pan* panto.

Other panto stars will be making an appearance as will club mascots from the Cobblers, Saints and Steelbacks: Clarence, Bernie and Steeler.

A traditional German Market will open at 6pm in Abington Street selling traditional

food, gifts and crafts. All 22 stalls will then open from 10am-9pm until December 21.

There will be free parking for the event in all Northampton Borough Council car parks from 3pm today for the switch-on ceremony.

The town will be decked with five Christmas trees and around 250 smaller trees will adorn shop fronts and businesses in the town centre, thanks to a partnership between the borough council and Northampton Town Centre BID.

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# on Christmas lights



Last year's Christmas lights switch-on in Abington Street, which attracted thousands to the town centre

## festive cheer to town

THE iconic Coca-Cola Christmas truck – made famous by the seasonal ‘holidays are coming’ advert – is set to make a stop in Northampton shortly before the big day.

The big red lorry, adorned with bright lights and a picture of a laughing Santa Claus drinking a bottle of the soft drink, will stop at St Giles

Square in the town centre on Wednesday, December 17, between noon and 8pm.

Northampton people will be able to have a photo taken with the truck and Coca Cola’s ‘Christmas helpers’ will be serving chilled cans of the drink and Diet Coke.

The visit is part of the lor-

ry’s 45-stop tour around the UK, which is taking place between November 18 and December 23.

The brand is encouraging people to upload their photos of the truck to social media site Twitter via the hashtag: #holidaysarecoming and by tweeting the company directly @CocaCola\_GB.

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Cloudy2Clear service the Northampton, Kettering, Wellingborough & Corby areas and Trevor is finding that his

approach is a major factor in his success. ‘The truth is that it’s not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I’ve done work for,

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# Unsung heroes win praise at county sports awards

The unsung heroes of sport in Northamptonshire lined up against the elite performers in the annual county sports awards.

While Northampton Saints won team performance of the year and coach Jim Mallinder also received an award, there were many from grass roots sport who were recognised by Northamptonshire Sport.

Danielle Coglin, from Northampton, won Young Leader of the Year for her work as a basketball coach after attending the Basketball Northants Leadership Academy. She is now assistant coach to the East Midlands Girls U11 team.

Julie Long, from Northampton, won Volunteer of the Year for her work with junior netball teams in the town.

The Primary Sport School of the Year went to Lings Primary School, where physical education has been used to improve all areas of school life, pupil behaviour and levels



**LIFETIME CONTRIBUTION** Bill Evans still coaches boxing every week

of attainment.

Old Northamptonians U13 cricket team won Community Team of the Year for winning

the county championships.

And Bill Evans, secretary of the Leicester, Rutland and Northants Boxing Club for 50

years, won the Lifetime Contribution to Sport. Aged 80, Bill coaches at the Bill Evans Academy five times a week.

## Full list of this year's winners...

- Performance Coach of the Year, sponsored by Moulton College: Jim Mallinder, head coach of Northampton Saints RFC
- Community Coach of the Year, sponsored by BBC Radio Northampton: Greg Yarnall, Table Tennis Coach at Westfield Table Tennis Club, Wellingborough.
- Young Leader of the Year, sponsored by Northampton County Council: Danielle Coglin, from Northampton
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●● Get Active Award, sponsored by Places for People: Christine Martin, from Corby

●● Disabled Sports Person of the Year, sponsored by Wellingborough Norse: Rachel Durman, from Wellingborough

●● Community Club of the Year, sponsored by Northamptonshire Telegraph: Stewarts and Lloyds RFC

●● Young Sportswoman of the Year, sponsored by Championing Northamptonshire: Chloe Wordingham, from Higham Ferrers

●● Young Sportsman of the Year, sponsored by Tresham Academy of Sport: Alex Ramsden, from Great Houghton

●● Local Sportswoman of the Year, sponsored by Ricoh: Frankie Jones, of Wellingborough

●● Local Sportsman of the Year, sponsored by Everyone Active: Daniel Keatings, from Corby

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Residents of Abbey Street – front is Dylan Huggins, with Councillor Jill Hope, Mair Huggins, Lesley Brett and Keith Bennett from left to right. Inset: Victoria Gardens is one of many in St James controlled by a parking permit system.

# Parking permit rise 'is tax on friendship'

Chargeable visitors' scratch-cards have been described as a 'tax on friendship' by a St James councillor, who says a parking permit price rise would be "simply unfair".

The proposals to more than double the cost of a yearly permit in those areas patrolled by a residents' parking scheme – from £25 to £60 (£80 for a second car) – have come up against heavy criticism since they were announced in June.

Those against the plans have voiced their concerns, as the online consultation on the planned price increase was launched by Northamptonshire County Council on Monday.

Along with raising the cost of residents permits, the authority proposes to introduce a visitors' scratchcard in controlled areas, at a cost of £3 for every four visits.

But county councillor Jill Hope (*Lib Dem, Sixfields*) said this was unfair on her ward members in St James, as those



guests would be limited to only 80 visits each year.

She said: "People are going ballistic over it."

"That means you are allowed one visit every four days or so. If you have a family gathering, you might end up having to buy so many scratch-cards you lose your allocation for weeks."

"People are really worried. It's a tax on friendship."

The county council said it wanted to raise the cost of the parking permits as the scheme was currently running at a £121,000 yearly deficit. Previously, opposition county councillors had described the price rise as a 'tax on urban areas'. Parking per-

mit schemes feature parking bays being reserved for resident use only, but they cost the residents a yearly fee.

Councillor Hope urged her ward members to fill out a consultation form on the proposals, but was concerned the forms can only be done online.

"St James is one of the more deprived areas in Northampton. A lot of people simply don't have access to the internet. Surely the council should have made a consultation like this accessible."

People can have their say on the proposals at [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/residentsparking](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/residentsparking) until the consultation closes on Friday, December 12.

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# 'Specials are not a Blue Peter option'

**Northamptonshire Police has the highest proportion of special constables per head of population in the country, according to new figures.**

A new report published by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary (HMIC) has found that Northamptonshire Police has 350 special constables, which is 74 per cent above the national average and equivalent to 0.54 special constables per 1,000 people. This compares with the national average of 0.31.

Police and Crime Commissioner Adam Simmonds has a stated intention of increasing the number of specials to 900 by May 2016.

According to Northamptonshire Police, the force currently has 380 special constables. At the beginning of PCC Simmond's term, the force had 280.

Speaking this week, Chief Constable Adrian Lee said he recognised there needed to be



Police commissioner Adam Simmonds (left) and chief constable Adrian Lee

a "step-change" in the recruitment rate to hit the 900 target by 2016 and said he would like to encourage a wider age range of people to apply for the roles.

Mr Lees said: "Specials have played an important part in policing for many years but we have become more flexible in our approach to training and the role itself, opening it up to those who may not have considered becoming a special."

Mr Lee said he was com-

mitted to keeping police officer numbers at 1,220. Specials have contributed 87,733 hours to date in 2014, an increase from 70,510 hours in 2013 and 42,152 in 2012.

PCC Simmonds denied that the specials recruitment drive was "policing on the cheap" and said the new recruits would add value.

He said: "The special officers will still be equipped properly. This is not a Blue Peterish, cheap option."

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# So good, they named Druids Way twice...

Residents of a street in Northampton that has exactly the same name as a new road in Moulton, have called for it to be renamed as it is already causing confusion for delivery drivers.

In a new housing development on land to the east of Moulton, one of the roads has been given the name Druids Way, the same name of a road in the Parklands area of Northampton, only three miles away.

Residents of Druids Way in Northampton said the fact the new road was in the same NN3 postal district had already led to a community midwife turning up at the wrong address and parcels being delivered to wrong houses.

One woman, who lives in Druids Way in Northampton but did not want to be named, said she had written to her local MP and Daventry District Council calling for the new road to be renamed. She said: "I think it is quite a unique name and it is in the same postal district. They could at



There are now two streets in the same postcode area named Druids Way

least change it to something like Druids Road."

Conservative MP for Northampton North, Michael Ellis, said: "This sort of idiocy from local authorities annoys people. I am not happy with the response I have received from Daventry District Council."

Tony Gillett, resources manager at Daventry District Council, said the name would remain in Moulton because no

objections had been submitted during the one-month period when a public notice was put up on the site.

He said: "When naming streets on new developments in the district, we first ask parish councils to submit names they would like.

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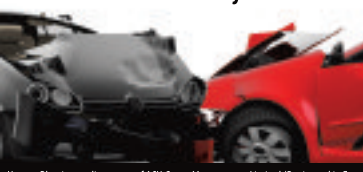
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## Westley criticises Cobblers

### Stevenage manager unhappy as Town refuse to switch league clash

#### FOOTBALL

**Stevenage manager Graham Westley says it is 'not right' that the Cobblers have refused to move their game at Sixfields next weekend and says it will only encourage his players.**

Westley's side will play their FA Cup first-round replay at Maidstone on Thursday night after it was chosen for live television coverage, for which Stevenage will receive £33,750.

They approached Northampton to request to move this weekend's game to the Sunday but the club have refused, citing the short notice of the request and the impact it would have on pre-booked hospitality and ticket sales.

But an upset Westley said: "I'll probably write back to them and say let's play it Friday. Because it's done nothing but fuel our fires.

"We had the request refused, unreasonably in my opinion. We don't think it's right. We'll get the coach from Maidstone and go straight up there and play it three o'clock Friday - that's the way we feel about it.

"It's made us more deter-

mined to get the right result on the Saturday."

Stevenage and Maidstone drew their first game 0-0 and will replay on the Isthmian Premier League side's artificial pitch two days after Northampton had a replay of their own, at Rochdale.

Northampton were always likely to be reluctant to concede a footballing advantage to their opponents, who will have the compensation of the broadcast fee to cushion the blow.

A club statement said: "We as a club have experience of playing two games in less than three days as we ourselves did the same in 2012-13 when we played Wolves on the Thursday night and travelled all the way to Plymouth on the Saturday for a 3pm kick off. It wasn't ideal but we did it.

"By the time the request to move the game came in, we had already sold more than 3,000 tickets and had a full hospitality area. We also have two local schools and five local football teams booked to attend.

"Moving the game to a Sunday at such short notice would have left them disappointed and we would have had to refund all supporters and sponsors who couldn't make the



**NOT HAPPY** Stevenage manager Graham Westley says it is 'not right' the Cobblers have refused to move their game at Sixfields

Sunday. We don't see why we as a club should be out of pocket and nor should our supporters be inconvenienced.

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unfair on our supporters and sponsors.

"We understand Stevenage's frustration but they

are receiving compensation in the form of TV fees for the inconvenience of playing on the Thursday evening."

## Boss Mallinder seeking big response

JIM Mallinder has urged his Saints players to learn from their shock defeat to Exeter as they bid to see off Saracens at Allianz Park on Sunday.

Mallinder's men suffered a 24-18 Aviva Premiership defeat against the Chiefs at Franklin's Gardens on Friday night.

It was a game that saw the visitors take the chances that came their way, while frustrating Saints, who grabbed two late

#### RUGBY

tries, for long periods.

And Mallinder knows his side must up their game if they are to bounce back with a win at title rivals Saracens this weekend.

"Friday was one game where you'd love to get four points, but we've got one point," said the director of rugby. "You don't want to lose at home, but it's going to happen and the important thing

for us is to learn our lessons.

"We've got to make sure that when we go to Saracens, which will be a similar type of game, we improve."

While Exeter lost few players to international duty, Saints were without eight, two of whom - Alex Corbisiero and George Pisi - are injured.

Saracens will be similarly affected this weekend and Mallinder is expecting a response from his team.

"Losing players to international duty is the nature of the season," he said.

"We came close on Friday night.

"We were putting the pressure on in the second half and maybe if we'd had another five or so minutes we might have gone on and got the winning score but we didn't.

"We've got to lick our wounds and come strongly this week."

Meanwhile, Saints cen-

tre Luther Burrell is in contention to make his first England appearance of the autumn after being retained for Saturday's clash with Samoa.

Burrell, whose hand injury ruled him out of the opening Test against New Zealand, returned to action in Saints' 24-18 defeat to Exeter last Friday.

That saw him miss the following day's game against South Africa at Twickenham,

but he could now get a chance to shine against Samoa this weekend.

England boss Stuart Lancaster has kept 28 men at Pennyhill Park for training ahead of the match, with Calum Clark, Dylan Hartley, Courtney Lawes and Tom Wood also in camp.

But there is no place for Stephen Myler or Lee Dickson, who will both be available for Saints' Premiership trip to Saracens.